

Kuuk Yak language

Kuuk Yak, or the **snake language**, if translated literally, is an extinct Paman language which was spoken on the Cape York Peninsula of Queensland, Australia.

Very little is known about the language, but a small number of people in the settlement Pormpuraaw are able to remember bits of the language. Barry Alpher is currently trying to collect all these pieces and fragments of information for his lexicon and grammar of the language, and in order to understand the genetic classification of the language, which had once been thought to perhaps be a dialect of the Kuuk Thaayorre language.^[2]

Notes

- Hammarström, Harald; Forkel, Robert; Haspelmath, Martin, eds. (2017). "Kuuk-Yak" (<http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/kuuk1243>). *Glottolog 3.0*. Jena, Germany: Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History.
- Y200 (<https://collection.aiatsis.gov.au/austlang/language/Y200>) Kuuk Yak at the Australian Indigenous Languages Database, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies

Kuuk Yak	
Native to	Australia
Region	Cape York Peninsula, Queensland
Extinct	(date missing)
Language family	<div>Pama–Nyungan<ul style="list-style-type: none">Paman<ul style="list-style-type: none">Southwestern<ul style="list-style-type: none">Upper<ul style="list-style-type: none">Kuuk Yak</div>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	uky
Glottolog	kuuk1243 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/kuuk1243) ^[1]
AIATSIS ^[2]	Y200 (https://collection.aiatsis.gov.au/austlang/language/Y200)

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